(b) to (d) The steps taken by Delhi Police in this regard include establishment of a special picket in Sector-A, Vasant Kunj and deployment of additional police personnel for round-the-clock patrolling in the area.

Violation of Human Rights in Tamil Nadu

1081. SHRI A. VIDUTHALAI VIRUMBI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of petitions received by the National Human Rights Commission regarding violation of Human Rights reported to have taken place in Tamil Nadu during the year 2001-2002 and till date; and

(b) the action taken or proposed to be taken to address those issues?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SWAMI CHINMAYANAND): (a) and (b) The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has received a total number of 2720 complaints from the State of Tamil Nadu since 1.4.2001 till date. The Commission has taken the following action on the 2720 complaints:—

(i) It had called for reports in 766 cases. Out of 766 cases, 346 have been disposed of after receipt of reports. The remaining cases are still under consideration;

(ii) It disposed of 692 cases with suitable directions to the concerned authorities at the preliminary stage;

(iii) 1180 cases have been dismissed in limini; and

(iv) Fresh complaints numbering 82 as on date are in the process of being considered by the Commission.

Naxalites activities in Southern India

1082. SHRI CHO S. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the situation of the PWG and naxalite activity in various parts of South India;

(b) how many operations against these groups have been successful;

(c) what steps are being taken to improve the intelligence network to curb these activities;

(d) whether the respective State Governments have approached the Centre for any assistance in this regard; and

(e) if so, the reaction of the Central Government to their requests?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SWAMI CHINMAYANAND): (a) The CPML-People's War perpetrated 618 violent incidents (158 deaths) throughout the country till July 15 this year, or which 314 incidents (68 deaths) were reported from Andhra Pradesh and 3 incidents without any casualty from Karnataka, in South India.

(b) In Andhra Pradesh, 54 CPML-PW extremists were eliminated in 51 encounters and 274 extremists were arrested till July 15 in the current year. In Tamil Nadu, the State Police had apprehended 2 CPML-PW activists.

(c) A Coordination Action Group to coordinate sharing of intelligence and anti-naxalite operations between the affected States has been functioning under the chairmanship of DGP, Andhra Pradesh. Besides, the Central Government also shares actionable intelligence with the naxalite affected State Governments on a regular basis.

(d) and (e) Integrated Action Plans, encompassing development as well as security aspects in the affected areas were received from Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Orissa. In response, the Planning Commission has agreed to include all the naxalite affected districts under the Backward Districts Initiative (BDI) scheme. This scheme has been proposed to provide for an additionality of Rs. 15 crores per year per district for a period of 3 years to enable filling up of critical gaps in the physical and social infrastructure in the identified backward districts.

POLNET

1083. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had decided for establishment of a comprehensive police network *viz.*, "POLNET" to connect national capital with all the State capitals;